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**3W, VIETNAM**. Scott, AC3A, hopes to be active during the **second week of March** as **3W2SO** on 40, 20 and 15 meters near the QRP frequencies.

**3W, VIETNAM**. "The DX News Letter" reports that operators OK1CW, OK1HWB/3W7TK and OK1TN will be active as **3W5OK** from **Cat Ba Island** (**AS-132**) now **through March 19th**. Their Web page can be found at: <a href="http://www.okdxf.cz/indexan.htm">http://www.okdxf.cz/indexan.htm</a> QSL via OK DX Foundation, Bradlec 73, CZ-293 06 Kosmonosy, Czech Republic.

**5Z4WI, WASINI ISLAND DXPEDITION** (**Update. Special 160 metere activity**). Phil, G3SWH, reports that the team will concentrate their 160 meters CW activity on Friday, **March 10th** at 1600z until Saturday, **March 11th** at 0600z, and from Sunday, **March 12th** at 1600z until Monday, **March 13th** at 0600z. They will transmit on 1827 kHz and listen on 1835 kHz for Europe etc. or on 1910 kHz for Japan (until 2100z) during the first 15 minutes of each hour. They will clearly indicate where they are listening. In the event of a lack of activity, they will QSY to another band.

**6W, SENEGAL**. YL operator Marie, **6W1RB**, seems to like to be active mainly on 20 meters. Her activity is centered between 14175 and 14190 khz after 0230z as late as 0500z. She has also been heard on 14295 khz at 2150z.

**6Y5, JAMAICA**. Look for Curtis, KE3Q, to be active from **May 8-14th** (no callsign mentioned). Activity will be on all bands, but CW only. QSLs are via KE3Q. QSL cards can be picked up at the Dayton HamVention.

**7P, LESOTHO**. A German team of operators will be active from here for 3 weeks between **July 3/4th until July 22nd** as **7P8DX**. They will leave from Frankfurt on July 2nd (at 2100z) via South African Airways and arrive in Johannisburg on July 3rd (at 0745z). From there they will travel by car to Maseru, the Capital of the Kingdom of Lesotho, and if everything goes according to plan (customs, equipment), they should be on the air the next day. By the way, it

will be wintertime down there. There will be 3 stations active on CW/SSB/RTTY on 160-10 meters and 6m (if available). The team of operators will be: Jorg/DF6VI (CW), Dieter/DJ9ON (CW), Markus/DL1IAN (SSB), Hans/DL1YFF (SSB, RTTY), Thomas/DL1QW (CW, RTTY) and Thomas/DL4OCM (CW). QSL Manager will be DL7VRO via the bureau or direct to: Fritz Bergner,

**CX, URUGUAY**. If you need this country on 160 meters, "The 59(9) DXReport" reports that Al/**CX4SS** and George/**CX1SI** are active daily on 1833 kHz from 0000-0400z.

CY9, ST. PAUL ISLAND. Richard, AI5P, informs OPDX that this summer a small number of amateurs (four currently, Duane/WV2B, Rich/AI5P, Henry/KE1AC and Rob/WA4RX) are planning to activate this island for five days, July 6-10th. Landing permission has been received from the Canadian Coast Guard. However, this news is tempered with the new rule (as far as they know from previous DXpeditions) that the island housing structure cannot be used and liability insurance will be required. The team is hopeful that they will be able to meet the new requirements. While this may not be one of the rare DXCC entities, St. Paul represents a difficult challenge to activate. The team hopes to be able to concentrate on the higher HF bands and provide a new entity or new band entity to many. The group is looking for sponsors/donations (particularly foreign clubs). Contact Richard, AI5P, for more information. More details are forthcoming, and check out the Web page for future updates at: <a href="http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Pines/7651/DXpedition.html">http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Pines/7651/DXpedition.html</a>

**DAYTON HAMVENTION DX DINNER TICKETS UPDATE**. Steve, N8BJQ, reports that all ticket requests for the **SWODXA DX Dinner** have been processed and were mailed on Monday, February 28th. He also states that there are good seats still available. Please check the Web site for details on ordering tickets at: http://members.aol.com/SteveB4622/2000DXDinnerAnnouncement.htm

**EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS**. Look for Babs/DL7AFS and Lot/DJ7ZG to be active as **EA6/DL7AFS** and **EA6/DJ7ZG** from **March 5-11th**. Activities will be on all bands on SSB and RTTY with the emphasis for contacts with Japan and North/South America. QSL for both calls are via DL7AFS (CBA or bureau).

**EY, TAJIKISTAN**. Alex, **EY8CQ**, has been active recently on 10 meters CW around 28025 kHz after 1245z. If you cannot find him there, check 20 meters SSB between 14200 and 14210 after 0245z. QSL via DJ1MM (only from the 2000 CBA): Sergej Kowaljew (EX-DJ1SKO), Hauptstr. 50, 84513 Toeging am Inn, GERMANY.

**FO0, CLIPPERTON**. The team is now active and signing **FO0AAA**. They will continue to be active **until March 8th**. The scheduled landing on the island was slowed by very bad monsoon like rains. They are active now on all the bands 160-6 meters. Please check the following Web page for updates and further information: <a href="http://www.qsl.net/clipperton2000/">http://www.qsl.net/clipperton2000/</a> QSL via N7CQQ.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. Bert, PA3GIO, will be active from here as PA3GIO/HC8 from April 1-12th, after his Belize trip as V31GI. His activity will be on the IOTA or DX frequencies (only SSB) 80/40/20/17/15/12/10 meters. His equipment will be a Kenwood TS-50 w/100 watts. Bert would like to say many thanks to Pedro/HC1OT, The Ecuador Radio Club and Rick/NE8Z (HC1MD) for their great support! Also, he thanks the staff of the Galapagos Hotel who made him feel very welcome. QSL "PREFERABLE" by the Bureau to PA3GIO.

Check out the Web page: <a href="http://www.xs4all.nl/~pa3gio/HC8/">http://www.xs4all.nl/~pa3gio/HC8/</a>

## IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-056**. Masa, JA6GXK, will be active from **Danjo Archipelago** now **through March 9th** and again **March 17-28th**. This is not a DXpedition, and Masa will be active during his spare time. Suggested frequencies are: 14260 +/-5kHz or 21260 +/-5kHz. QSL via the Bureau or direct to JA6GXK: Masafumi Ishihara, 493-4 Koba-cho, Fukue, 853-0033, JAPAN
- EU-038. Gino, ON1DAN, reports that his groupp will be active from Texel Island starting April 28th until May 1st. The callsign is not yet known by the RDR of Netherlands but will be annouced on their homepage. For more info, please visit their Web site at: <a href="http://www.vra.be/texel/">http://www.vra.be/texel/</a>
- **EU-145**. Operators CT1AHU, CT1EEN, CT1EGW, CT1END and CT4NH will be active from **Culatra Island March 11th**. They will use their own callsign /portable.

JD1, OGASAWARA (Update). Last week we metioned (in OPDX.450) that Hiko, JN1HOW, would be active from Chichi-Jima Island (AS-031) between March 17-20th, as JN1HOW/JD1. Hiko informs OPDX that he will now also be active on 160 meters CW besides operating on 40/30/20/17/15/12/10 meter CW/SSB.

**K5FUV RESIGNS FROM THE ARRL**. It was reported early last week by Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, that Membership Services Manager Bill Kennamer, K5FUV, has submitted his resignation from the League's staff effective March 28th. The only reason given was that "Bill and his family have compelling reasons to return to Arkansas." Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, states, "Bill has made great contributions to the ARRL and particularly to the DXCC program since he joined the staff in 1992, and he will be greatly missed. He has promised to do what he can to effect a smooth transition. I know you all join me in wishing Bill the best. While he has very mixed feelings about leaving, I know he's looking forward to again living in a place where people don't speak with an accent......"

MJ, JERSEY. Craig/K3PLV and Pete/K8PT will be active on the island from March 22nd through March 28th, including the CQ SSB WPX Contest. They will operate SSB/CW/RTTY, 80-10 meters including the WARC bands. Typical DX/RTTY frequencies will be used along with 14260 kHz for IOTA QSOs. Their callsigns will be MJ/K3PLV and MJ/K8PT. QSL via respective home calls.

**OH2BH NAMED RADIO AMATEUR OF THE YEAR**. The "ARRL Letter" reports that the Dayton Hamvention has announced the winners of its "Amateur of the Year", and DXer **Martti Laine, OH2BH**, was named Hamvention's Amateur of the Year for 2000. Congrats to Martti. For more details, read the March 3rd "ARRL Letter", Vol. 19, No. 9.

## QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- RUSSIAN ADDRESSES UPDATE. Eugene Bugrimov, RN9XA, informs OPDX that "QRZ" has some problems with upgrading their CIS databases, but all are OK now. We have also received updated information from Alex, RA4HT, stating the situation with Russian addresses on "QRZ.com" was corrected on February 20th.
- QSL FK8HC via VK4FW or direct to FK8HC: Franck, Box 7636 Ducos, 98801,

Noumea, NEW-CALEDONIA. This was active February 25-26th, by the way, FK-DX Group logged 1450 QSOs from Freycinet Island (DIFO FK-078), using a 100 watts and a R-7 verticale antenna. They state that there was good propagation with USA, Japan and Europe during this expedition. ADDED NOTE: If you have any questions about the DIFO, "French Overseas Island Award" (Diplome des Iles Françaises D'Outremer), go to Gil, F5NOD's, Web site and download all the information/rules (in English, and a Islands list) at: <a href="http://perso.easynet.fr/~f5nod/">http://perso.easynet.fr/~f5nod/</a>

- Several have requested the QSL address for Monk Apollo, **SV2ASP/A**. QSL to: Monk Apollo, Monastery Dochiariou, GR-63087 Mt. Athos, Greece.
- QSL cards for **3C0R** and **9U5D** are now being received.
- QSL **PW2A** via PT2BW either to the bureau or direct. Operator was Ari, PT2BW during the ARRL Int. DX SSB Contest.
- **CT1ETE Address Update**. Paulo, CT1ETE, reports having problems with mail going to his older PO Box. QSL CT1ETE via: Paulo Pinto, P.O. Box 1026, Guimaraes 4811-908, Portugal.
- QSL **ZD8T** via AC4IV, NOT via AC4VV. Ken, AC4VV, states that he has been receiving many QSL cards from the bureau for ZD8T. He is not the QSL Manager. Please pass the word around....
- QSL TG0AA direct ONLY to: P.O.Box 115 Guatemala City, Guatemala. The operator
  was Luca, TG9/IK2NCJ, who received special permission from the Board of Directors of
  Club de Radioaficionados de Guatemala (CRAG). He was active in the ARRL SSB DX
  Contest.
- QSL 8S7A via W3HNK or direct to SM7CRW at: John-Ivar Winbladh, P.O. Box 100, SE-386 22 Oland Island, Sweden. This station was active in last weekend's ARRL DX Contest as Single Band/Single OP from Oland Island (EU-037) in the Baltic Sea. A special QSL will be printed for this contest.

**S7, SEYCHELLES**. By the time you read this, Kurt, HB9MX, is expected to be active from **Mahe** as **S79MX** until **April 1st**. Activity will be on 40-10 meters with a special emphasis on 6 meters. QSL via HB9MX.

**T8, PALAU**. Look for JA1BRK, JA1HGY and JI1DLZ to be active from the **Belau Republic**. The trio will be in Korror on a DXpedition/vacation from **March 17-19th**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters plus 6 meters CW/SSB/RTTY. They will have two separate stations and will concentrate on RTTY and 6 meters. Their callsign and QSL routes are: **T88GM** (JI1DLZ), **T88HG** (JA1HGY), and **T88RK** (JA1BRK). The main RTTY operator will be JA1HGY/T88HG and the main 6 meter operator will be JI1DLZ/T88GM.

**VK9WI WILLIS ISLAND (Update)**. David, VK4ZEK, reports that the May 2000 Dxpedition will start up approx. **May 10th**. Remember, for full details about this operation, check the Web site: <a href="http://www.qsl.net/vk9wi/">http://www.qsl.net/vk9wi/</a> QSL Manager will be Peter, VK4APG, via his CBA.

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS. Oklahoma DX Association members Dave/W5AO, Jim/K5TT and Jim's wife Karen will be traveling here to operate during the WPX SSB Contest the weekend of March 25th. They will be located on North Caicos Island at the northern end of the group. The operation will take place from March 20th until March 29th. All bands from 160 through 6 meters will be activated on SSB and CW with 160m, 6m and WARC being emphasized. The callsign VP5V will be used during the contest with personal callsigns portable VP5 being used before and after the contest. VP5V and VP5/W5AO QSL cards go to Box 88, Morris, OK

74455-0088 while **VP5/K5TT** cards go to the home address. E-mail may be sent before and after the operation to k5tt@contesting.com and during the operation to the station owner's E-mail address - <u>vp5b@tciway.tc</u> -- More information is available at the Web site: <a href="http://hammer.prohosting.com/~w5ao/">http://hammer.prohosting.com/~w5ao/</a>

OPDX INTERNET SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUEST: opdx-request@nshore.org OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME (provided by John, K8YSE):

http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE: http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html

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